M.T.N.L.'s Proposal for Videotex and Voice Mail Services

698. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state ;

(a) whether the Mahanagar, Telephone Nigam Limited propose to introduce several new services like videotex, voice mail etc.; during the Eighth Five Year plan period ;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof ;

(c) what are the details of allocations made for the said services during the Eighth Five Year Plan period ; and

(d) what is the extent to which the services of telephones would be increased as a result thereof ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) (i) Experimental Voice Mail system at exchange level are under implementation at Delhi and Bombay.

(ii) The experimental Videotex service is likely to have a maximum of 500 users and 50 Information Providers. The project is presently under installation and testing. On successful realization of the experimental project, the regular Videotex service will be considered, if commercially viable.

(c) The experimental Videotex project has a budgetary provision of Rs. 2.87 crores.

(d) It does not have a direct impact on the telephone service.

Foreign Open Tender Bids for Cellular Mobile Services

699. SHRI DHULESHWAR MEENA : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether a 4 member empowered committee had been set up to evaluate the foreign open tender bids for cellular mobile services ;

(b) if so, which were the bidders both foreign and Indians and what had been the technical evaluation of the bids ;

(c) what is the time it will take to operate this service ;

(d) what is Government's thinking about the invitation of open tenders from the private and foreign companies for other value added services like the videotext and electronic paging services ;

(e) what is the projected demand for cellular phones in the 4 metropolitan cities ;

(f) what is estimated capital outlay involved ; and

(g) the likely taric for these cellular mobile services ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU) : (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. a 4 member Streeing committee has been nominated for final evaluation of the bids. The open tender floated by the Department was only for Indian Companies and 30 Indian Companies have submitted their bids. The Technical evaluation of the bids is not yet completed. The list of bidders is given in the Statement (*See* below).

(c) The time period allowed to operate this service after the award of Licence is one year.

(d) A proposal to invite tenders for franchising the electronic paging services to Indian Companies is under the consideration of the Government. The decision on other Value Added Services will be taken as and when they are planned.

(e) Though no market survey has been specifically conducted by the Department for this purpose, there is a potential demand for such service in the four metro cities.

(f) Since DOT has decided to franchise this service, no capital outlay from the DOT is envisaged.

(g) The tariff will be fixed by DOT at the time of award of the licence.

Statement

List of vendors who have submitted their bids for cellular mobile radio telephone service :

1. Skycell comm. Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi
2. Adino Telecom Ltd., Bombay
3. Ashok Leyland, Madras
4. Essjay, New Delhi
5. BPL System & Projects Ltd., Bangalore
6. Hutchison Max Telecom, New Delhi
7. VAM Organic Chemical Ltd., New Delhi
8. India Information Technology Ltd., New Delhi
9. TCIL Vanguard Ltd., New Delhi
10. Indian Telecorrp Company, New Delhi
11. Pumsumi India Ltd., Jaipur
12. Usha Martin Telecom. Ltd., New Delhi
13. Mobile Comm. India Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi.
14. Bharti Telecom Ltd., New Delhi
15. Tata Cellular Pvt. Ltd. Bombay
16. Hi-Tech Tele-access, Bangalore
17. RPG Enterprises Mobile Telecom Ltd., New Delhi
18. JTL Indian Telecom Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi
19. Vikas Hybrid Ltd, New Delhi
20. Modi Telecommunication Ltd. New Delhi
21. Kanazia Digital System Pvt. Ltd., Bombay
22. Sterling computers Ltd., Madras
23. Sterling Cellular Ltd., Madras
24. Stone India Ltd., Calcutta
25. Archna Telecom Services Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi
26. Omnitel Industrial Ltd., Hyderabad
27. Set Meharmanzil, Bombay
28. Kanoria Marconi, Bombay
29. Rama Associates Ltd., New Delhi
30. OGDEN Communication (India) Madras

दिल्ली टेलीफोन्स में पद से जुड़े हुए मकानों के संबंध में नियम

700. **श्री ईश दत्त यादव** : क्या संचार मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या दिल्ली टेलीफोन में पद से जुड़े हुए मकानों के संदर्भ में कोई नियम बनाये हैं ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो इसकी मुख्य-मुख्य विशेषताएं क्या हैं ;

(ग) पिछले वर्ष के दौरान उक्त नियम के अधीन कितने निर्णय लिये गये और कितने मकान खाली कराये गये ;

(घ) क्या सरकार को इन नियमों में कदाचार के बारे में कोई शिकायत मिली है और इस संबंध में सरकार द्वारा कोई कार्यवाही की गई है ; और

(ङ) इस संबंध में संसद सदस्यों से कितने पत्र प्राप्त किये गये और उन पर अब तक क्या कार्यवाही की गयी है ?

संचार मंत्रालय में उप मंत्री (श्री पी० वी० रंगैया नायडू) : (क) और (ख) विशेष पदों से जुड़े मकानों के संबंध में दिल्ली टेलीफोन्स में भी दूरसंचार विभाग के नियमों का अनुपालन किया जाता है । प्रचालन/अनुरक्षण तथा कार्यात्मक जैसे विशेष पदों के लिए नियमानुसार मकान दिए जाते हैं ।

(ग) दिल्ली टेलीफोन्स द्वारा पिछले वर्ष के दौरान पदों से जुड़े मकानों के बतौर 5 मकान आबंटित किए गए और अधिकारियों के सेवा निवृत्त होने/स्थानान्तरण होने के परिणामस्वरूप 3 मकान खाली किए गए ।

(घ) जी, नहीं ।

(ङ) उपर्युक्त पैरा (ग) के अनुसार दिल्ली टेलीफोन्स के कर्मचारियों के पदों से जुड़े मकानों के आबंटन के संबंध में अभी तक कोई पत्र प्राप्त नहीं हुआ है ।